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23 March 1960

**MEMORANDUM FOR:** Acting Chief, Development Projects Division

**SUBJECT** : Attendance at ARGON Meeting of 3 March 1960

**REFERENCE** : Memo for the Record, dated 9 March 1960, "Trip Report of Visit to LMSD and [REDACTED] 3 and 4 March 1960" (CHAL 0907-60)

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Upon reading the Annex to the referenced Trip Report, I noted with considerable displeasure that there were 43 persons in attendance at the ARGON meeting of 3 March 1960. I cannot conceive of a defensible reason for using the unlimited substitution rule in meetings of supposedly highly sensitive projects. I should like to be assured that no such attendance by supernumeraries will be permitted again, and to be informed of the steps taken to prevent this situation from again getting out of hand.

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